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TO AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF INTERCONTINENTAL HOTELS OFFICIAL

1. FRANK ROSS, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTELS, INC. ADVISES THAT HE CONSIDERING VISIT TO MALAWI SOME TIME IN AUGUST IN CONJUNCTION WITH VISITS TO BOTSWANA AND SWAZILAND (SEE SEPTTEL). ROSS INDICATED HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED BY OFFICERS MALAWI MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS WHO TOLD HIM OF THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL HOTELS IN MALAWI. THEIR THRUST WAS FOR NEW HOTEL IN LILONGWE. HOWEVER, BLANTYRE WAS NOT RULED OUT.
2. ROSS STATES THAT MINIMUM SIZE HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL WOULD CONSIDER CONSTRUCTING AND OPERATING WOULD BE 150-200 ROOM ESTABLISHMENT. IF HE DETERMINES DURING VISIT THAT NEW HOTEL WARRANTED EITHER IN LILONGWE OR BLANTYRE, HE WILL BE PREPARED UNDERTAKE INITIAL CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS BEFORE LEAVING MALAWI.
3. APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ON NEED FOR AND GENERAL ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY NEW HOTEL IN LILONGWE OR BLANTYRE. IF EMBASSY BELIEVES VISIT BY ROSS WOULD BE WORTHWHILE EMBASSY,

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